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It has come to my attention that you are considering restricting the broadcast of local weather and traffic information on satellite radio. I ask that you consider rejecting the National Association of Broadcasting's petition 04-160 as this change will inhibit the healthy competition that satellite broadcasts bring to radio.

In the Southern Maine area, radio has become very homogeneous in content, with a lot of the programming being supplied from, as we say in Maine, Away. Further, in my daily hour commute to work, when I listen to local radio, there are times when over half of the commute the stations will broadcast advertising, a fair amount of it not being local.

Realizing that what we are talking about is big business with billions of dollars at stake, let's let the decisions be made on the merits of fair competition, and not one side getting the FCC to regulate an unfair playing field due to the greed of the broadcasters and their fear that they may lose a small part of their market.

Let's look out for the little guy.